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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**APPLICANTS** : Pertti TÖRMÄLÄ et al.  
**SERIAL NO.** : 09/853,760  
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**FOR** : MINIMALLY TRAUMATIC SURGICAL DEVICE FOR  
TISSUE TREATMENT  
**GROUP ART UNIT** : 3732  
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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

**S I R:**

In response to the Office Action dated October 30, 2003, for which a response is due on or before January 30, 2004 (without any extensions of time), Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments for entry and respectfully request reconsideration of the present application.